

High School Basketball Teams Eye CIF Berths

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Hot Lines

By Al Coast

As most of you know we are experiencing a very unusual winter here in Southern California, with the record breaking rains and storms pushing the water level in lakes far beyond what it has been in many years. It will be sometime before the mud and silt settles and the floating limbs, logs, and other objects have washed ashore. So we are going to have to bide our time by rewrapping our favorite rods and cleaning and replacing the weak parts of reels.

Too many times, a friend has called and invited us to go bass fishing at the breakwater or journey to a nearby lake, and we have to turn it down because our equipment has last year's fish scales still clinging to it. As far as I am concerned, to be prepared is to be successful. It is this reporter's opinion that an opportunity turned down, is a day wasted as far as getting out and enjoying the great outdoors.

This brings us, again, to the fact that if one belongs to an active outdoor club, these beautiful and relaxing days in the open, with a bit of luck or skill, can result in some memorable fish stories or hunting tales.

We of the Torrance Rod and Gun have set up, within the club, a contest where each and every member is an important part in the end results. I am referring to our annual Steak and Bean Dinner. This event is held each year in December, in conjunction with our election of officers for the following year. The winning team eats steak, while the losers enjoy beans!

We have set up a point system, whereby each member has an opponent to fish, hunt or work against. Based on last years results, each member is pitted against an opponent with a similar degree of talent, which is based on points turned in the previous year. Almost every thing done, for the good of the club, has a point rating, along with similar points for a stipulated size of fish, weight or limits of game, or for busting clay pigeons at the local trap range. All these things will be fully explained for anyone interested in visiting or becoming a member of one of the finest Rod & Gun clubs in the West.

Again for information on how to join, phone one of the following: Torrance Sports Shop—328-6912; Al Coast—328-0369; or Jim Perrine, who incidentally is our president,—834-8109; or contact any member. The initiation is very nominal and the yearly dues is one dollar a month. This includes the price of the Steak and Bean Dinner.

We are planning a steak fry for the fourth Tuesday of each month. There will be entertainment and a bingo game where many fine and useful prizes will be awarded. This will be for members and their wives or lady friends.

We are having a Fish Fry for the public on April 4. This has always been an excellent all-you-can-eat affair and the response has been tremendous. Incidentally, we catch our own fish for this event. So naturally we have the best. This is also a very good time to get acquainted with other members and their families.

Late Flash: For the some 50 or so, who attended the Valentine Party, Saturday night, a good time was had by all. We still had some room for a few more.

The old pro is at it again, Chic Hill returned from the Havasu Lake area with 9 bass to 6½ pounds.

Plenty of Rock Cod on local boats. Roy Wright came up with a 6½ pound bass from the breakwater. Must be a lot of them around. This is an excellent way to limber up the old casting arm and test last year's tackle to see if it needs replacing.

Lake Irvine has started to produce, with bass being taken by anglers with know how, trout by the patient patrons, and catfish by the weed fisherman.

Remember: Just walk in our clubhouse on the first of third Tuesday of each month and let us know you are interested in our activities. We will look for you on the 18th of February at 8 p.m. Corner of Border and Plaza Del Amo. Don't be bashful!

National Little League

Torrance National Little League will have an additional sign-up Saturday at the new field, a quarter of a mile west of Crenshaw, south of the new apartments on 235th Street.

Hours of registration are from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ron Higgins, league president, will provide information at 325-3893.

Boys who become 8-years-old prior to Aug. 1 and will not be 13 before Aug. 1 are eligible for Little League.

Soccer Games Slated

The Los Angeles Soccer Club will play the feature soccer game Sunday at the Continental Field in Torrance. The team faces all-British Thistle Club with kick-off set for 2:30 p.m.

Opening the three game program will be Valley G.A. meeting the revitalized Scandia Club at 10:30 a.m. with Phoenix facing Hollywood Stars at 12:30 p.m.

In the first round meeting, Thistle and L.A.S.C. fought a 1-1 tie. Both teams play top flight European-type soccer.

L.A.S.C. is in second place, only one point behind Croatia.

Manager James Mason of the Thistles, now tied for third place with Gaudalajara and Olympia, hopes his British lads will come out of the rut. They lost the last two games, their only defeats of the season.

At Rancho La Cienega Stadium, the undefeated North division leader, Montebello Armenians will face the upset minded Club Argentino at 2:30 p.m.

Pepperdine, Loyola Play At Forum

There will be a bit more than the traditional rivalry at stake when Pepperdine College hosts the Loyola University Lions this Saturday afternoon in the West Coast Athletic Conference feature game at Forum in Inglewood.

Pepperdine, which lost an earlier conference encounter to the Lions in the Sports Arena (71-58), hasn't beaten its crosstown rival since the 1964-65 season, 78-71.

With a chance to be the first college team to win in the Forum, Pep's rookie coach Gary Colson says "This game worries me more than any game we'll play all year."

The Waves are currently enjoying one of its most successful seasons in a long time (9 wins, 9 losses to date).

The contest will be Pepperdine's homecoming affair. According to Pep Alumni. An estimated 5,000 to 8,000 fans, alumni and guests are expected.

"We'll be shooting for the largest crowd ever to see a WCAC game," said Don Kooztz, director of the college's alumni relations.

Pepperdine split its roadtrip at San Francisco and Santa Clara over the weekend, dumping the USF Dons, 71-64, and falling to powerful Santa Clara, 88-60.

With 10:34 left in the game, Pep was clinging to a 46-45 advantage when Tom Egerer and Hiram Peterson collected four points each, and it wasn't until some five minutes later that USF finally scored. In the meantime, the Peps climbed out of reach at 54-48 and USF never got closer.

Egerer, the junior from Manhattan Beach and Mira Costa High, pumped in his season high of 31 points, all from the 12-20 foot range. The Waves shot 51 per cent for the game.

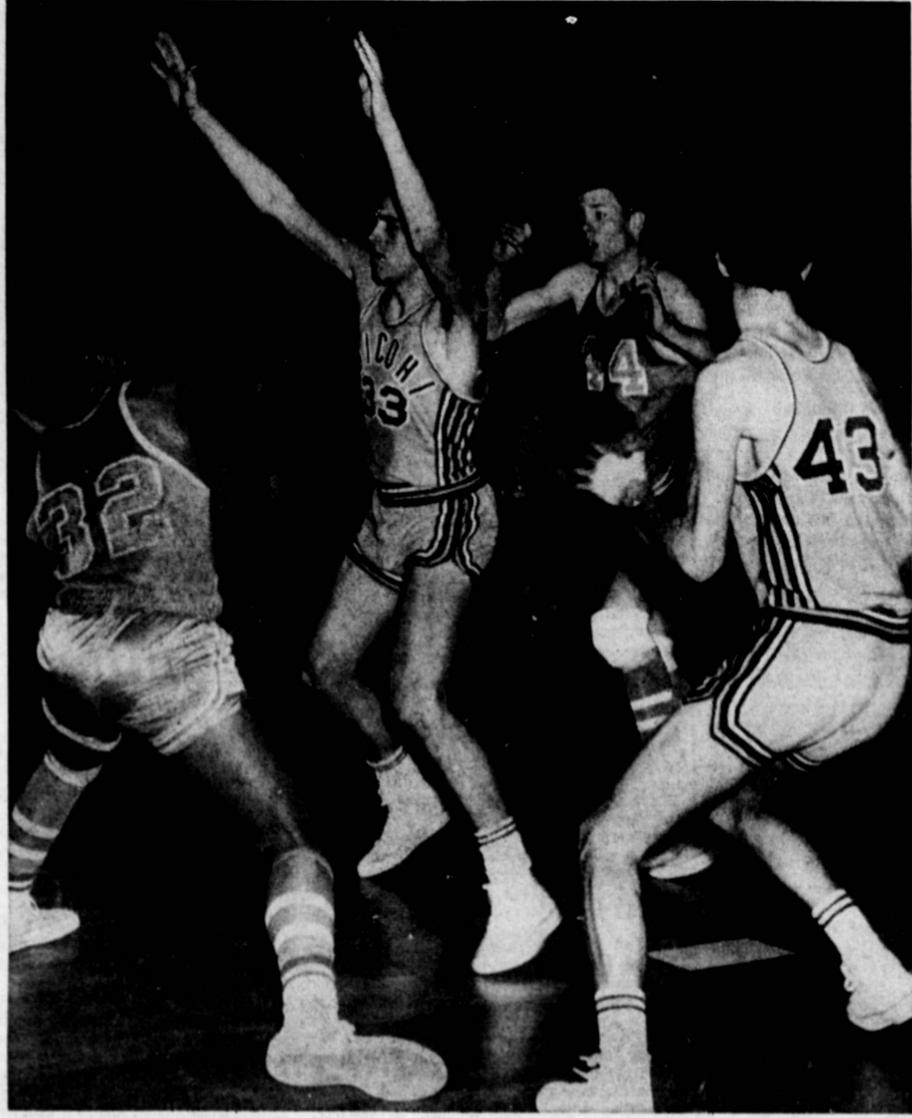
club as Congressional Cup skippers will be Ted Turner of the Atlanta, Ga., one of the nation's leading blue water sailors who finished third in the 1967 series here and was second a year ago.

John Long of the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club of Vancouver is the first Congressional Cup participant ever from outside the United States.

Burke Sawyer of Newport Harbor, a long-time leading West Coast skipper who, as winner of the Prince of Wales Cup, will represent the North American Yacht Racing Union.

Tom Hazlehurst of the East Greenwich, R.I., is a returnee from last year's event.

Tom Fisher of the Grosse Pointe, Mich., is a 41-year sailor who is a member of Detroit's famed automobile body-building



FULLY COVERED . . . Unable to dribble away from two defenders, Art Frasquillo (32) of North High looks for Jim Jones (44) to come to his rescue. The North Saxons beat the Mustangs, 73-68, Tuesday night to cinch at least a tie for the Bay League championship. The varsity travels to Inglewood tonight in an attempt to win its 12th straight game of the season. (Press-Herald photo)

South Plays Vikes

With the Bay League title already in the North High camp, the No. 2 spot in the CIF basketball playoffs is sought by South High School. The Spartans (8-3) have a two-game advantage over Mira Costa and Redondo in the standings, but three key games during the remainder of the season are Santa Monica at South tonight, North at South next Wednesday afternoon, and South at Mira Costa next Thursday to wrap up the season.

Redondo meets Hawthorne, Santa Monica and West in that order, while Mira Costa has West, Hawthorne, and South to play.

The only way three teams can get into the CIF playoffs is a tie for second place between two of the teams.

Another torrid battle for the CIF playoffs looms in the Sky League where Torrance (5-2) and Palos Verdes (5-2) are one game behind Morningside (6-1).

Palos Verdes upset Morningside Tuesday, 65-60, to figure in the playoffs. Both Torrance and Morningside are through playing this year, so the big game to decide second place will be tonight's battle between Torrance and Palos Verdes at P.V. The Tartars beat the Seakings at home in the first round.

Torrance pulled out a 47-46 win over Culver City Tuesday to stay even with P.V. in the Sky League. Culver City was unable to hold on to a 20-4 first quarter lead.

South trailed West, 17-15, in the first quarter, but a 22-point second period carried the Spartans to a 71-63 victory. Dennis Rector had 22 points for the winners while Bill Kolodziejczak had 26 for the losing Warriors. West has a 5-6 record in the Bay League.

In the Camino Real League Fermin Lasuen beat Serra out of the lead Tuesday night by an 86-53 score. The victors lead the league by one game with Serra and Mt. Carmel battling for second place.

Bishop Montgomery, two-time defending champion, beat Daniel Murphy, 71-64, to reverse a first round loss. Bishop's third victory had Greg Collins exploding for 24 points.

Swimmers Gather at CIF Meet

More than 4,000 swimmers will gather at Belmont Plaza Olympic Pool in Long Beach Tuesday and Wednesday for the CIF swim relays prelims at 2:30 p.m. both days.

Swimming in seven relay events on three levels of competition (varsity, bee and cee), athletes will be shooting for berths in the finals at the Belmont Plaza pool on Friday night, at 7:30 p.m. The fastest eight teams from the combined meets will qualify for the finals.

Northern area (Feb. 18) — Arcadia, Aviation, Beverly Hills, Buena, Burbank, Burroughs (Burbank), Downey, El Monte, El Rancho, El Segundo, Fountain Valley, Glendale, Harvard, Hoover, Inglewood, L.B. Jordan, Lakewood, Lasuen, Loyola, Millikan, Miraleste, Mira Costa, Montebello, Muir, Notre Dame (S.O.), Oxnard, Palos Verdes, Pasadena, Redondo, Rolling Hills, St. John Bosco, San Gabriel, Santa Barbara, Santa Fe, Santa Monica, Sierra, Thousand Oaks, Warren, Whittier and L.B. Wilson.

Southern area (Feb. 19) — Alhambra, Alta Loma, Anaheim, Artesia, Bolsa Grande, Buena Park, California, Chaffey, Charter Oak, Claremont, Costa Mesa, Covina, Crespi, Duarte, El Dorado, Estancia, Fontana, Foothill, Fullerton, Glendora, Indio, Kennedy (B.P.), La Quinta, La Serna, Marina, Monrovia, Montclair, Monte Vista, Newport, Nogales, Nordhoff, Norwalk, Pacifica, Palm Springs, Pioneer, Riverside, Poly, Rancho Alamitos, Redlands, San Clemente, Savanna, Sonora, Sunny Hills, Troy, Tustin, Upland, Valencia and Western.

Baseball and Football Stars Play In Golf Tournament

Three California Angels, three Los Angeles Rams, but only one Dodger, big Don Drysdale, will perform in the third annual \$30,000 American Airlines Astrojet Golf Classic Feb. 14-16, announced F.J. (Jack) Mullins, senior vice president of the sponsoring airline and general tournament chairman.

Angels' manager Bill Rigney, All-Star shortstop Jim Fregosi and newly acquired relief ace Hoyt Wilhelm; the Rams' All-Pro Merlin Olsen and David (Deacon) Jones and kicking specialist Bruce Gossett will join Drysdale in the popular 54-hole tourney.

The Astrojet Classic again will be played over the superbly conditioned La Costa Hotel and Country Club course, 90 miles south of Los Angeles and 30 north of San Diego.

One football star is teamed with his baseball peer in the partner best ball event, played on a net basis and using full handicaps of the partners.

For the first time, tournament chairman Mullins has injected team competition for 15 teams representing 13 cities (New

York has two) and one state team, Texas.

Drysdale and Jones will represent Los Angeles. San Francisco has a strong twosome of Willie Mays and John Brodie. Hall of Famer Joe DiMaggio and Dryle Lamonica will represent Oakland.

The flossiest pairing is superstar Mickey Mantle and Broadway Joe Namath. Other interesting duos are Denny McLain-Mel Farr, for Detroit; Bob Gibson-Jim Hart, St. Louis; Don Meredith-Jim Wynn, Texas; Ernie Banks-Dick Butkus, Chicago; Leroy Kelly-Alvin Dark, Cleveland, and Otto Graham-Ken McMullen, Washington.

The twosome to beat, of course, is Bill Mazeroski, Pittsburgh Pirates second sacker, and Paul Krause, Minnesota Vikings safety. No one has been able to beat them yet in the Astrojet Classic. In two years, the pair has split \$20,000 for winning the first two events. They've expended only six days of work on the course.

Other stars who'll compete are John Unitas, former Angel Sammy Ellis, Bill Nelson, Jim

Lonborg, Hall of Famer Jackie Robinson, Tommy Sisk, Joe Torre, Jerry Kramer, Ray Nitschke, Lance Alworth, John Hadl, Tom Seaver, Don Maynard, Tommy Davis, Al Kaline, Bill Freehan, Jim Maloney, Joe Horlen, Jim Davenport, Fran Tarkenton and Joe Torre.

Bobby Hogle Will Lead Ascot Field

Champion Bobby Hogle of Buena Park will lead a field of 50 cars in Sunday afternoon's 8-event CRA sprint car racing program at Ascot Park in Gardena. Racing starts at 2:30 p.m.

The two-time CRA title holder returns to the raceway, fresh from winning the 100-mile open competition Hanford last Sunday.

Winner of 11 CRA features and several super-modified and one USAC National Championship Sprint Car feature last year, Hogle will drive his Offy special from Anaheim.

He won the opening CRA feature of the year at Ascot in this car last month.

Prep Cage Schedule

BAY LEAGUE
North at Inglewood.
Mira Costa at West.
Santa Monica at South.
Redondo at Hawthorne.

CAMINO REAL LEAGUE
Montgomery at St. Monica's.
Murphy at Lasuen.
Crespi at St. Bernard's.
Serra at Mt. Carmel.

SKY LEAGUE
Torrance at Palos Verdes.
Leuzinger at Morningside.
Culver City at Rolling Hills.

PIONEER LEAGUE
Lennox at El Segundo.
Lawndale vs. Miraleste at Palos Verdes.

(Saturday)
Beverly Hills at Aviation, 12 p.m.

Basketball Standings

BAY LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct. GB
North	11	0	1,000
South	8	3	.730
Mira Costa	6	5	.545
Redondo	5	6	.455
West	4	7	.364
Hawthorne	3	8	.273
Inglewood	2	9	.182
Santa Monica	2	9	.182

Tuesday's Results
North 73, Mira Costa 68
South 71, West 63
Redondo 88, Inglewood 75
Santa Monica 79, Hawthorne 63

SKY LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct. GB
Morningside	7	1	.875
Palos Verdes	5	3	.625
Torrance	5	3	.625
Rolling Hills	3	5	.375
Culver City	3	5	.375
Leuzinger	1	7	.125

Today's Results
Palos Verdes 65, Morningside 60
Leuzinger 86, Rolling Hills 75
Torrance 47, Culver City 46

CAMINO REAL LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct. GB
Fermin Lasuen	10	1	.909
Serra	9	2	.818
Mt. Carmel	7	4	.636
Daniel Murphy	6	5	.545
St. Bernard	5	5	.500
Montgomery	3	6	.333
St. Monica	3	8	.273
Crespi	1	10	.091

Today's Results
Fermin Lasuen 86, Serra 53
Mt. Carmel 87, Crespi 73
Bishop Montgomery 71, Daniel Murphy 64 (Overtime)
St. Bernard 78, St. Monica 78

PIONEER LEAGUE			
Team	W	L	Pct. GB
Beverly Hills	7	0	1,000
Aviation	6	1	.857
El Segundo	3	3	.500
Lennox	3	4	.429
Miraleste	1	6	.143
Lawndale	0	6	.000

Tuesday's Results
Aviation 83, Lennox 59
Beverly Hills 97, Miraleste 62
El Segundo 68, Lawndale (postponed)

Congressional Cup Readied

Nine yachtsmen representing North America's sailing centers were named to compete March 13-16 in the fifth annual Long Beach Congressional Cup match race series.

Olympic champion Lowell North of San Diego will attempt to become No. 10 contestant Sunday.

North, the San Diego sailmaker who upset Denmark's legendary Paul Elvstrom to win the Olympic Games Star class championship at Acapulco last October, will face Chuck Martin of Newport's Voyagers Sunday at San Diego, the winner to become the final entrant in the annual event sponsored by Long Beach Yacht Club.

Joining the previously-selected Tom Pickard of the host

family. Fisher won the right to come to Long Beach as representative of the Yacht Racing Union of the Great Lakes with his victory in the Richardson Series in the Midwest;

Tom Blackaller of the St. Francis Yacht Club of San Francisco is the 1968 North American Star class champion.

Henry Sprague III of Long Beach won the Los Angeles Harbor area Congressional Cup eliminations. Young Sprague will represent the U.S. Navy Yacht Club of Annapolis.

Buzz Boettcher of the California Yacht Club of Marina del Rey is the youngest entrant in the prestigious series at only 18. An experienced Finn Class single-handed skipper, Boettcher skippered a crew of fellow Finn sailors aged 18 to 23 to vic-

tory over 11 other would-be Congressional Cup entrants from the northern coastal area.

The Long Beach series, whose gleaming silver trophy was dedicated by an act of Congress in 1964, is rapidly becoming recognized as the nation's second most important sailing event other than the triennial America's Cup challenges. Yacht clubs are invited by the host committee, and each club conducts competitions to determine its representative.

At Long Beach, skippers meet every other skipper in three days of round-robin match race sailing in Cal 40 sloops carefully scrutinized for uniformity in order to make the series a test of seamanship, sail-handling and match race tactics rather than merely of boats.